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Tom Wheeler, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

I am writing to express my support of the proposed New Charter company. One of my primary roles as of Mayor of Lancaster, Texas, is to ensure that policies offer the greatest benefit to my constituency. It is my belief that the formation of New Charter will offer greater consumer opportunities, and subsequently enhance access for communities impacted by this merger.

Furthermore, it is my understanding that New Charter would bring together the best aspects of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable, and Bright House Networks. The commitment of this new company is to invest heavily in innovations so that customers could benefit from the latest technology; such as, fiber-optics, digitization, cloud-based technology and out-of-home WiFi hotspots is of particular importance. Bundle packages would also include the fastest entry-level speed in the market, while costing less than many comparable plans, further illustrates the merits of this new company.

I am also impressed to learn that New Charter would extend its valued services to those who cannot typically afford broadband. The company's commitment to continue low-income programs would offer a discount to qualified households is also important to note. I assert that this proposed merger has numerous benefits, and would appreciate consideration of my letter of support.

Warm Regards,

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